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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Preliminary OXCART Flight Status Report, 18 March

1. Aircraft #121 (J-58 engines) made flight #57 on 18 March. The purpose of this flight was to extend the flight envelope. On the first checkout flight (Flight #56) of aircraft #121, with J-58 engines, the aircraft reached Mach 2.16 and 56,000 feet. On flight #57, the aircraft reached Mach 2.49 and 62,000 feet.
2. The flight of aircraft #122, scheduled for 18 March was cancelled. During pre-flight inspection of the aircraft a nick was discovered on the backside of a first stage blade on J-58 engine #208. It, therefore, was decided to cancel the flight in order to permit boroscopying of the engine.
3. Aircraft #124 (trainer) is scheduled for a training flight 18 March.

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